### UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Trademark Trial and Appeal Board P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

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Opposition No. 91160180

Red Planet Management Corporation

v.

Fender Musical Instruments Corporation

Opposition No. 91160351

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v.

Fender Musical Instruments Corporation

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First Act Inc.

v.

Fender Musical Instruments Corporation

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Stuart Spector Designs, Ltd.

v.

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U.S. Music Corporation

v.

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Warmoth Guitar Products, Inc.

v.

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Indoor Storm, Ltd.

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Tradition Guitars, Inc.

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JS Technologies, Inc.

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Peavey Electronics Corporation

v.

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# Andrew P. Baxley, Interlocutory Attorney:

Applicant has filed its answer in all twenty-four of the above-captioned proceedings.<sup>1</sup> In the interest of judicial economy and to save both the parties and the Board time, effort, and expense, the Board intends to consolidate as many of the above-captioned proceedings as feasible. See TBMP Section 511 (2d ed. rev. 2004).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Although Behringer USA, Inc. ("Behringer") had also opposed registration of the proposed marks in involved application Serial Nos. 76515828, 76516126, and 76516127 and their notices of opposition were instituted as Opposition Nos. 91161267, 91161300, and 91161329, Behringer withdrew those oppositions on August 16, 2004 before applicant filed answers therein. See Trademark Rule 2.106(c). Accordingly, the Board dismissed Opposition Nos.

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Accordingly, opposers are allowed until thirty days from the mailing date of this order to appoint one lead counsel to supervise and coordinate the conduct of their cases and to file a paper with the Board indicating their appointment.<sup>2</sup> If all twenty-two opposers cannot agree on a lead counsel, as many opposers as can agree should appoint a lead counsel. The Board will consolidate their proceedings, allow the consolidated proceedings to move forward, and continue suspension the remaining proceedings pending final determination, i.e., including any appeals and remands, of the consolidated proceedings. See Trademark Rule 2.117(a); TBMP Section 510.02(a) (2d ed. rev. 2004).

Proceedings herein otherwise remain suspended.

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<sup>91161267, 91161300,</sup> and 91161329 without prejudice on August 25, 2004.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Board notes that Ronald S. Bienstock is the attorney of record for eighteen of the opposers and that two of the four remaining opposers are appearing pro se.